THE BOMBAY GROWTH OF FOODCROPS ACT, 1944 (BOM. VIII OF 1944).

G. N., R. D., No. 7133/39, dated 20th May 1944 (B. G., Pt. IV-B, p. 144). S. 1(2)

In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (2) of section 1 of the Bombay Growth of Foodcrops Act, 1944 (Bom. VIII of 1944), the Government of Bombay is pleased to appoint the 20th day of May 1944 as the date on which the said Act shall come into force in the areas specified in the Schedule hereto annexed.

SCHEDULE.

AREAS.

Northern Division.

1. The Ahmedabad District.
2. The Kaira District.
3. The Broach and Panch Mahals District.
4. The Surat District, excluding the Bulsar taluka and Pardi Mahal.

Central Division.

5. The Ahmednagar District.
6. The East Khandesh District.
7. The West Khandesh District.
8. The Nasik District, excluding the Igatpuri taluka and Peint Mahal.
9. The Poona District, excluding the Maval taluka.
10. The Satara District, excluding the Mahableshwar Mahal.
11. The Sholapur District.

Southern Division.

12. The Belgaum District, excluding the Khanapur and Belgaum talukas and Chandagad Mahal.
13. The Bijapur District.
14. The Dharwar District, excluding the Kalghatgi, Hangal and Kod talukas.

G. N., R. D., No. 10112/39, dated 5th July 1944 (B. G., Pt. IV-B, p. 174). S. 13

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 13 of the Bombay Growth of Foodcrops Act, 1944 (Bom. VIII of 1944), the Government of Bombay is pleased to make the following rules, namely:—

1. *Manner of calculating total area of cultivator's holding and area under each kind of crop.*—For the purposes of an order under section 3 or 4—

(i) only whole gunthas shall be taken into consideration and areas less than a guntha shall be rounded off in favour of the cultivator;

Illustrations.—A cultivator's holding is 5 acres and he grew scheduled foodcrops on 70¼ per cent. of his holding in the twelve months previous to the date of the order under section 3. If he grows scheduled foodcrops on 3 acres and 20 gunthas of his holding of 5 acres in the twelve months immediately following the date of the order instead of 3 acres and 20½ gunthas as in the previous twelve months, he shall be deemed to have complied with the order under section 3.

Similarly, a cultivator, whose holding is 5 acres shall be deemed to have complied with the order under section 4, which prescribes 2/3 as the minimum proportion of the holding in which scheduled foodcrops shall be grown and 1/6 as the maximum proportion of the holding in which scheduled non-foodcrops shall be grown, if he grows scheduled foodcrops in 3 acres and 13 gunthas instead of 3 acres and 13 1/3 gunthas and cotton and tobacco in 34 gunthas instead of 33 1/3 gunthas ;

(ii) the area of a cultivator's holding in which two crops are successively grown during the relevant period of twelve months shall, except when the second crop is grown solely as a green manure crop, be counted twice in arriving at the total area of his holding ;

(iii) the area under the scheduled foodcrops (or scheduled non-foodcrops) shall, except when the second crop is grown solely as a green manure crop, be counted together in respect of the first and the second crops raised during the relevant period of twelve months in arriving at the area in which scheduled foodcrops (or scheduled non-foodcrops, as the case may be) are grown ; and

(iv) where the scheduled foodcrops are grown as a mixed crop in rows with any crop other than a scheduled foodcrop, the area under the scheduled foodcrops shall, subject to the maximum laid down in the Explanation to sections 3 and 4, be calculated according to the proportion which the rows of scheduled foodcrops bear to the rows of the other crops and where the mixed crop is not so grown in rows, the area shall be calculated in such manner as the Collector may determine.

2. *Excluding exempted area of holding from total area of cultivator's holding.*—For the purposes of any order under section 3, 4 or 5, the area of a cultivator's holding exempted from the provisions of the order under section 7 shall be excluded from the total area of the cultivator's holding.

3. *Publication of orders under section 9.*—The order fixing and guaranteeing the prices for cereal foodcrops under section 9 shall also be published by beat of drum in each village to which any order under section 3 or 4 applies.

4. *Application for determination of rent.*—An application for the determination of rent under section 10A shall be in the Form annexed hereto.

5. *Court-fee.*—Every application made to a Mamlatdar under the Act shall bear a court-fee stamp of annas eight and every memorandum of appeal filed before an Assistant or Deputy Collector shall bear a court-fee stamp of rupees two.

FORM OF APPLICATION FOR DETERMINATION OF REASONABLE RENT UNDER SECTION 10A.

(*See* Rule 4.)

To

The Mamlatdar of .....

Sir,

I am the tenant of land measuring .....acres.....
.....gunthas of survey No. .....pot/hissa No.....
of .....taluka .....district..... By operation of the order issued under section 4 of the Bombay Growth of Foodcrops Act, 1944, I am compelled to grow the scheduled foodcrops specified in column 1 of the schedule appended hereto in the area of my holding specified in column 2 thereof. Mr. .....is the landlord of this land from the year .....The present rent of the land is .....This rent is not reasonable for the following reasons :—

(*Here state the reasons*)

I therefore request you to determine the rent under section 10A of the said Act. I am prepared to pay a rent of Rs. .....as reasonable rent of the land.

Schedule.

Name of scheduled foodcrops.	Prescribed area of holding for growing foodcrops.
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Your obedient servant,

Signature.